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To: Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, Chairman  
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From: William T Fujioka  
Chief Executive Officer

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## TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK DAY SCHEDULING

At the Board of Supervisors' meeting held May 1, 2012, Supervisor Antonovich requested that the Executive Officer of the Board work with our Office to report back on a date for next year's Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day, so scheduling does not interfere with the school districts' state testing or any memorials that are planned.

As further explained below, we believe the appropriate date to schedule this event next year is April 16, 2013.

### Background

Each year, the County of Los Angeles celebrates Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day to bring young people to the workplace, allow them to experience activities and events, and explore careers. These opportunities help fill a vital role in promoting and ensuring a brighter, stronger future for the County. Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day is observed nationally on the fourth Thursday in April. The Board generally has celebrated this day on the Tuesday prior to the official date to give our daughters and sons the opportunity to see County government at work.

To explore the best date for next year's program, our Office met with representatives from the Executive Office of the Board and Department of Human Resources. We also contacted the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) and the California Department of Education to determine the testing dates scheduled for 2013. The writing components for the California Standards Tests are scheduled in early March and the dates for the remaining components of the Standardized Testing and Report (STAR) program vary based on each district's individual academic year. The school districts

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have not yet published their calendar for 2013, but testing dates for 2012 from a sample of 10 school districts in the County ranged from April 11 through June 1, 2012, including scheduled makeup testing, with most scheduling later in April or May.

Our Office also looked at special memorial observances that could conflict with a date in late April. The Armenian Genocide Day is observed annually on April 24 which falls on a Wednesday in 2013. Our research did not find any other memorials scheduled during this period in April 2013.

### **Conclusion**

Due to the wide range of testing dates district by district, it would be difficult to schedule a date that coincides with the national Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work observance and does not fall within one of the districts' testing periods. However, to help reduce the number of districts that may be affected, we recommend the Board schedule the Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day during the prior week, on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, to allow the opportunity for more young people to participate.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please let me know, or your staff may contact Eddie Washington of my staff at (213) 974-1347.

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c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors  
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